



# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONTINUE IMPOSITION AND PROVIDE FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES 197.3632, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the City Council of the City of Okeechobee, Florida, will conduct a **PUBLIC HEARING** to consider continuing the imposition of annual Solid Waste Collection Special Assessments for the provision of Residential Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services within the incorporated area of the City of Okeechobee, Florida.

The **PUBLIC HEARING** will be held at **6:00 PM**, or soon thereafter, on **Tuesday, June 2, 2026**, at City Hall, 55 SE 3<sup>rd</sup> AVE, Room 200, Okeechobee, FL, for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed assessments.

All affected property owners have a right to appear at the **PUBLIC HEARING** and to file written objections with the City Council within twenty (20) days of this notice. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the **PUBLIC HEARING**, such person will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. City Clerk media are for the sole purpose of backup for official records of the Clerk. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office no later than five (5) business days before the proceedings, 863.763.9814. Vision, speech, or hearing Impaired, call Florida Relay 7-1-1.

Copies of proposed Assessment Resolutions No. 2026-04 and No. 2026-05 for Fiscal Year 2026-27, the Solid Waste Collection, Disposal and Assessment Ordinance No. 784, and all subsequent Assessment Resolutions may be inspected/viewed in their entirety at the address above in Room 100, during regular business hours, Mon-Fri, 8:00 AM-4:30 PM, except for holidays, contact the City Clerk's Office staff at 863.763.9814.

The proposed Assessment Resolutions No. 2026-04 and No. 2026-05 for Fiscal Year 2026-27 will be posted online prior to the **PUBLIC HEARING** date with the City Council agenda materials on the City website at:

<https://www.cityofokeechobee.com/AgendaMinutes-CityCouncil.html>.

The said Assessment is a non-ad valorem assessment and will be collected by the Tax Collector in the same manner as your ad valorem tax bill, to be mailed in November 2026, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes. Failure to pay the assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the property, which may result in a loss of title.

By: Dowling R. Watford, Jr., Mayor

Attest: City Clerk Lane Gamiotea, CMC

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